

**REMARKS**

Favorable reconsideration of this application, in light of the preceding amendments and following remarks, is respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 2, 4 and 7-24 are pending in this application. No claims are amended and claims 3 and 6 have been cancelled. No claims are added. Claim 1 is the sole independent claim.

**ENTRY OF PREVIOUS AMENDMENT**

It is respectfully requested that the Amendment filed September 29, 2008 be entered on the record. Applicants hereby petition for a two (2) month extension of time. The September 29<sup>th</sup> Amendment, in addition to this Amendment cancelling claims 3 and 6, should be sufficient to place this application in condition for allowance.

**CONCLUSION**

In view of the above remarks and amendments, the Applicants respectfully submit that each of the pending objections and rejections has been addressed and overcome, placing the present application in condition for allowance. A notice to that effect is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a), Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for a two (2) month extension of time for filing a reply to the

outstanding Office Action and submit the required \$490 extension fee herewith.

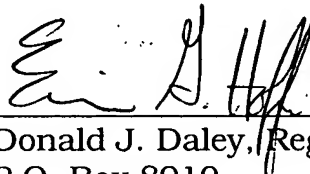
Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Erin G. Hoffman, Reg. No. 57,752, at the telephone number of the undersigned below.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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